### What are Exotic Aquatic Plants?



Exotic Aquatic Plants are not native to a particular area. New Hampshire is currently battling five species of Exotic Aquatic Plants in its lakes and waterways. Over sixty waterbodies are now impacted by exotic aquatic plants.

These invasive plant species can reduce the recreational value of waterbodies, and can decrease the economic value of waterfront property according to a 2001 study by the University of New Hampshire. These plants can also be dangerous to swim in, and can harm native aquatic plants and animals.

The map included in this brochure is intended to be a guide to the waterbodies that have existing Exotic Aquatic Plant problems. Please use extreme caution trailering boats from lake to lake!

## STOP THE SPREAD OF EXOTIC AQUATIC PLANTS!

#### WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- √ Each time you launch and remove your boat from a waterbody, check the boat, trailer and hitch for attached plant fragments. Remove all fragments from your equipment, and dispose of them away from the waterbody.
- √ Avoid boating and fishing in areas with dense plant growth.
- √ Steer clear of marked "Restricted Use Areas" on waterbodies. These areas were established to contain Exotic Aquatic Plant fragments.
- √ Look for signs posted at boat launch locations. These signs will warn if that waterbody has an Exotic Aquatic Plant.
- √ Join the Volunteer Weed Watcher Program and monitor for Exotic Aquatic Plants.
- √ Look for Lake Hosts that will greet you
  at an access site. They will perform a
  courtesy boat inspection for you.

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# ATTENTION BOATERS!

Are you unknowingly spreading Exotic Aquatic Plants?

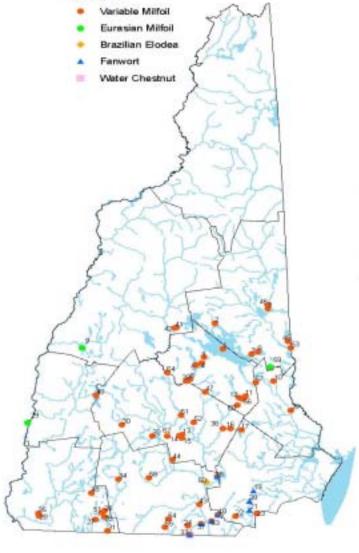


Have you been boating, fishing or recreating on waterbodies with Exotic Aquatic Plants?



It is *illegal* to transport and introduce Exotic Aquatic Plants in New Hampshire!

- 1. Lake Winnipesaukee (Several Areas)
- 2. Lees Pond, Moultonboro
- 3. Lake Ossipee, Freedom
- 4. Opechee Bay, Laconia
- 5. Lake Winnisquam, Belmont/Meredith
- 6. Silver Lake, Tilton
- 7. Crescent Lake, Wolfeboro
- 8. Lake Wentworth, Wolfeboro
- 9. Lake Mascoma, Enfield
- 10. Sunrise Lake, Middleton
- 11. Locke Lake, Barnstead
- 12. Lower Suncook Lake, Barnstead
- 13. St. Paul's School Pond, Concord
- 14. Little Turkey Pond, Concord
- 15. Big Turkey Pond, Concord
- 16. Bixby Pond, Epsom
- 17. Northwood Lake, Northwood
- 18. Lake Massabesic, Auburn
- 19. Phillips Pond, Sandown
- 20. Big Island Pond, Derry
- 21. Arlington Mill Reservoir, North Salem
- 22 Cobbetts Pond, Windham
- 23. Captain Pond, Salem
- 24. Flints Pond, Hollis
- 25. Cheshire Pond, Jaffrey
- 26. Contoocook Lake, Jaffrey
- 27. Pearly Pond, Rindge
- 28. Forest Lake, Winchester
- 29. Connecticut River, Charlestown
- 30. Lake Massasecum, Bradford
- 31. Lake Monomonac, Rindge
- 32. Hopkinton Lake, Hopkinton





Variable milfoil

Myriophyllum heterophyllum

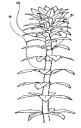


Eurasian milfoil

Myriophyllum spicatum



Water chestnut Trapa natans



Hydrilla Hydrilla verticillata

- 33. Nashua River, Nashua
- 34. Powder Mill Pond, Hancock
- 35. Ashuelot River, Winchester
- 36. Little Suncook R., Epsom/Northwood
- 37. Mine Falls Pond, Nashua
- 38. Winnipesaukee River, Tilton
- 39. Cocheco River, Rochester
- 40. Robinson Pond, Hudson
- 41. Squam River, Ashland
- 42. Little Squam Lake, Holderness/Ashland
- 43. Horseshoe Pond, Merrimack
- 44. Gorham Pond, Dunbarton
- 45. Belleau Lake, Wakefield
- 46. Danforth Pond, Freedom
- 47. Rocky Pond, Gilmanton
- 48. Dublin Lake, Dublin
- 49. Lake Sunapee, Sunapee
- 50. Nutts Pond, Manchester
- 51. Contoocook River, Jaffrey
- 52. Turtle Pond, Concord
- 53. Balch Lake, Wakefield
- 54. Melendy Pond, Brookline
- 55. Potanipo Lake, Brookline
- 56. Brindle Pond, Barnstead
- 57. Jones Pond Dam, New Durham
- 58. Scobie Pond, Francestown
- 59. Mountain Pond, Brookfield
- 60. Barnstead Parade Pond, Barnstead
- 61. Merrimack River (Boscawen, Concord)
- 62. Kimball Pond, Hopkinton
- 63. Ottarnic Pond, Hudson
- 64. Pemigewasset River, Sanbornton



Brazilian elodea *Egeria densa* 



Fanwort
Cabomba caroliniana